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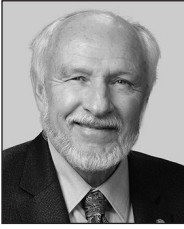
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## PREFACE

Several changes have occurred in Michigan government since the 2015-2016 *Michigan Manual* was printed. This addendum provides updates to Chapters III, IV, V and IX. This addendum is currently available online and will also be published with the 2017-2018 *Manual*. Any other major changes to the Legislative, Executive, or Judicial branches of state government will be reflected in the addendum prior to the printing of the 2017 *Michigan Manual*.

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**State Representative**  
**GARY HOWELL**  
**R-82nd Representative District**

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**Committees:** Criminal Justice; Regulatory Reform; Workforce and Talent Development

**Biography:** Republican, of Lapeer; spouse Cheryl, three children; United Methodist; U.S. Army veteran; BA in economics, history, and government, Michigan State University and J.D., University of Michigan law school; farmer; township, city, and village attorney for 40 years; member, Farm Bureau; active supporter 4-H and Future Farmers of America; member, Lapeer County Road Commission, 2012 to 2016; township trustee and planning commissioner; president, Lapeer County Intermediate Board of Education, past president, North Branch School Board and Lapeer County Bar Association; charter member, Lapeer County Economic Club; member, Lapeer County Historical Society, Lapeer and Imlay City Chambers of Commerce, National Rifle Association, and Right to Life of Michigan; life member of Lapeer American Legion Post 16 and Lapeer Veterans of Foreign Wars; elected to the House of Representatives in a special election March 2016.



**State Representative**  
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**D-75th Representative District**

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**Committees:** Military and Veterans Affairs; Transportation and Infrastructure

**Biography:** Democrat, of Grand Rapids; spouse Melissa, four children; Eastern Avenue Christian Reform church; BA History, Calvin College; attended University of Michigan; law degree, University of Chicago; small business owner, construction, coffee shop and bakery, law firm; worked as a lawyer at Warner, Norcross and Judd; Kent County assistant prosecutor; Grand Rapids City Commission, Grand Rapids Board of Education; elected to the House of Representatives in a special election March 2016.



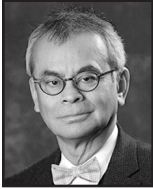
**State Representative**  
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**R-80th Representative District**

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**Committees:** Agriculture; Military and Veterans Affairs; Natural Resources

**Biography:** Republican, of Casco Township; spouse Kevin, three adult children; bachelor of science in nursing, Northern Illinois University; worked in pediatric neurosurgery and pediatric emergency units; owner, financial planning firm; member, Michigan Human Trafficking Task Force, 2013 to 2014; elected to the House of Representatives in a special election March 2016.

# DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL RIGHTS



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The Michigan Civil Rights Commission was created by the Michigan Constitution of 1963 to carry out the guarantees against discrimination articulated in Article I, Section 2. As further stated in Article V, Section 29, the state constitution directs the commission to investigate alleged discrimination against any person because of religion, race, color, or national origin and to “secure the equal protection of such civil rights without such discrimination.” Public Acts 453 and 220 of 1976 and subsequent amendments have added sex, age, marital status, height, weight, arrest record, genetic disposition, and physical and mental disabilities to the original four protected categories.

The Michigan Department of Civil Rights was established in 1965 to provide a staff complement to the policy-making responsibilities of the commission. In 1991, the department was expanded further. During that year, the Michigan Women’s Commission was transferred from the Department of Management and Budget to this agency by executive order. In April 2011, the Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission, the Hispanic/Latino Commission and the Division on Deaf and Hard of Hearing were moved to MCDR, also through executive order.

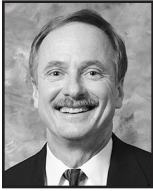
The Department of Civil Rights enforces the state’s protections against illegal discrimination primarily by investigating discrimination complaints. The department also works to prevent discrimination through programs that promote voluntary compliance with civil rights laws and provides information and services to businesses on diversity initiatives, equal employment law, and procurement opportunities. Staff and allies also work to prevent discrimination through statewide educational initiatives on bullying awareness, eradicating hate crimes, increasing community response to incidents, improving the living and working conditions of migrant and seasonal farmworkers, and through the nascent Michigan Leadership Collaborative on Civil and Human Rights.

The department has offices in Marquette, Grand Rapids, Flint, Detroit, and Lansing. A complaint may be filed at any of the department’s offices, if the alleged discrimination has occurred within the past 180 days.



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# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



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The **Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)** is committed to protecting and enhancing Michigan's environment and public health. As leaders in the stewardship of Michigan's environment, the members of this department work on behalf of the people of the Great Lakes state for an improved quality of life and a sustainable future so that future generations can enjoy and utilize the state's resources.

The DEQ was originally created by an executive order issued by then Governor John Engler in 1995, removing environmental functions and programs then administered mostly under the state Department of Natural Resources. Governor Jennifer Granholm recombined the agencies in 2010. Governor Rick Snyder's first executive order (E.O. No. 2011-1) returned the agencies to independent cabinet posts.

The executive order stated that, consistent with Section 3 of Article V of the Michigan Constitution of 1963, the director of the DEQ shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the governor, subject to the advice and consent process. The director functions as the department's chief executive officer, monitors program activities to ensure efficiency and effectiveness of department operations, and ensures that the department's mission, policies, and statutory mandates are met. The director's primary authority flows from the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, and is authorized by Executive Order 1991-31 to delegate decision-making authorities to appropriate levels within the department.

The DEQ is guided by three main principles: (1) To be a leader in environmental stewardship; (2) to be a full partner in Michigan's economic recovery and development; and (3) to excel at customer service.

The **Office of Legislative Affairs** works as the liaison between the Governor's office, legislators, and stakeholder groups on emerging or changing environmental issues. This office focuses on strengthening the DEQ's relationship with the Legislature and ensuring adequate environmental regulations are in place.

The **Administration Division** provides a complete range of financial and administrative support services to the DEQ, including budget development, financial management, procurement, facilities management, grants oversight, field operations support, and business operations.

The **Air Quality Division (AQD)** works with business and industrial air emission sources, as well as the general public, to maintain compliance with state and federal air quality statutes in order to minimize adverse impacts on human health and the environment. Staff identify and reduce existing outdoor air pollution problems and prevent significant deterioration of air quality through air emission control programs, air monitoring, control strategy planning, permit issuance, complaint response, and inspection of air emission sources.

# DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS



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The **Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)** is reinventing Michigan's licensing and regulatory environment, making it more conducive to business formation and job growth.

LARA has 4 primary focuses: (1) The Office of Regulatory Reinvention (ORR); (2) Licensing and Regulatory; (3) The Michigan Administrative Hearing System; and (4) Employment Security and Workplace Safety.

LARA oversees the licensing and regulation of more than 1.2 million Michigan individuals and entities in 90 professions on an annual basis. It supports the health, safety, and economic well-being of the public through services to, and regulation of, the activities of organizations and individuals.

This department is customer driven and business minded. This new emphasis on streamlined government will contribute significantly to the overall goal of long-term economic success for Michigan.

## **Corporations, Securities and Commercial Licensing, Bureau of (CSCL)**

The Corporations, Securities and Commercial Licensing Bureau performs the public facing duties of helping to grow business activity in Michigan through the Corporations Division, and by protecting the health, welfare, and safety of Michigan citizens through regulatory and licensing functions of the Securities, Licensing, and Enforcement divisions.

## **Communications, Office of**

This office ensures that key information is communicated to both the internal and external customers of the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs.

- *Media and Public Relations, Division of* — The Division of Media and Public Relations responds to inquiries from the news media, issues news releases about important developments in programs and services, and provides public information and news of internal departmental events and policies.
- *Media Technology, Division of* — The Division of Media Technology provides graphic art, publication and forms design services; enhanced audio-visual support, public service announcements (PSAs) and video production.

## **Construction Codes, Bureau of (BCC)**

BCC is responsible for building, boiler, electrical, elevator, mechanical, land survey and remonumentation, manufactured housing, plan review, and plumbing regulation. The State Boundary Commission within the bureau is responsible for adjudicating many types of municipal boundary adjustments.

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# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES



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The Department of Natural Resources is committed to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the state's natural and cultural resources for current and future generations — a role it has embraced since the creation of Michigan's original Conservation Department in 1921.

The director serves as the department's chief executive officer, monitors program activities to ensure efficiency and effectiveness of department operations, and ensures that the department's mission, policies and statutory mandates are met. The director's primary authority flows from the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (Act 451 of 1994, as amended) and is authorized by Executive Order 1991-31 to delegate decision-making authorities to appropriate levels within the department.

DNR divisions, programs and offices are housed within two main bureaus (Resource and Administration), while some other positions report directly to the department director.

## ***Resource Bureau***

The **Resource Bureau** includes the Fisheries Division, the Forest Resources Division, the Law Enforcement Division, the Parks and Recreation Division, the Wildlife Division and Minerals Management.

The **Fisheries Division** ([www.michigan.gov/fishing](http://www.michigan.gov/fishing)) is mandated to protect and manage the state's aquatic resources, including fish populations, other aquatic life and aquatic habitat, which are held in trust for all Michigan citizens. The division promotes the wise use of these resources for the benefit of current and future generations.

Michigan offers a wealth of fishing opportunities with its two peninsulas that touch four of the five Great Lakes. The state is blessed with more than 11,000 inland lakes and 36,000 miles of rivers and streams. Michigan has 3,000 miles of freshwater shoreline — more than any other state — and more total shoreline than any state except Alaska. In Michigan, you are never more than 85 miles from one of the Great Lakes. In April 2011, *Field & Stream* magazine's "FlyTalk" blog ranked Michigan as the top fly-fishing state in the nation, basing on factors including all-around opportunities, angler-friendly environment and cultural affinity to fly-fishing.

Fish populations and other forms of aquatic life are monitored and studied by biologists, who strive to ensure their long-term protection while keeping fishing in Michigan among the nation's best. Up to 14 fish species are hatched and reared at six state hatcheries, which have state-of-the-art facilities to produce fish of very high quality. These fish are stocked annually into designated public waters throughout the state to maintain or improve fish populations. Michigan ranks seventh in the nation in fishing with 1.1 million licensed anglers who annually contribute \$2.4 billion to Michigan's economy.

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# THE SUPREME COURT



## JUSTICES OF THE MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT

*Term expires*

ROBERT P. YOUNG, JR., Chief Justice.....	Jan. 1, 2019
RICHARD BERNSTEIN .....	Jan. 1, 2023
JOAN L. LARSEN .....	Jan. 1, 2019
STEPHEN J. MARKMAN.....	Jan. 1, 2021
BRIDGET MARY MCCORMACK.....	Jan. 1, 2021
DAVID F. VIVIANO.....	Jan. 1, 2017
BRIAN K. ZAHRA.....	Jan. 1, 2023

[www.courts.mi.gov/supremecourt](http://www.courts.mi.gov/supremecourt)

### History

Under the **territorial government** of Michigan established in 1805, the supreme court consisted of a chief judge and two associate judges appointed by the President of the United States. Under the “second” grade of territorial government established in 1824, the term of office was limited to four years.

#### First Grade

Augustus B. Woodward . . . . . 1805-1824	James Witherell . . . . . 1805-1824
Frederick Bates . . . . . 1805-1808	John Griffin . . . . . 1806-1824

#### Second Grade

James Witherell . . . . . 1824-1828	William Woodbridge. . . . . 1828-1832
John Hunt . . . . . 1824-1827	George Morrell . . . . . 1832-1837
Solomon Sibley . . . . . 1824-1837	Ross Wilkins . . . . . 1832-1837
Henry Chipman . . . . . 1827-1832	

The **Constitution of 1835** provided for a supreme court, the judges of which were appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, for seven-year terms. In 1836 the legislature provided for a chief justice and two associate justices. The state was then divided into three circuits and the supreme court was required to hold an annual term in each circuit. The Revised Statutes of 1838 provided for a chief justice and three associate justices.

The **Constitution of 1850** provided for a term of six years and that the judges of the five circuit courts be judges of the supreme court. In 1857, the legislature reorganized the supreme court to consist of a chief justice and three associate justices to be elected for eight-year terms. The number of justices was increased to five by the legislature in 1887. Act 250 of 1903 increased the number of justices to eight.

The **Constitution of 1908** provided for the nomination of the justices at partisan conventions and election at nonpartisan elections.

The **Constitution of 1963** provides that “the judicial power of the state is vested exclusively in one court of justice which shall be divided into one supreme court, one court of appeals, one trial court of general jurisdiction known as the circuit court, one probate court, and the courts of limited jurisdiction that the legislature may establish by a two-thirds vote of the members elected to and serving in each house.” Constitution of 1963, article 6, section 1.

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**JUSTICE  
JOAN L. LARSEN**

Term expires January 1, 2019

Justice Joan L. Larsen was named to the Michigan Supreme Court on September 30, 2015, by Governor Rick Snyder.

Before assuming office, Justice Larsen served on the faculty of the University of Michigan Law School where she was also special counsel to the dean. An award-winning legal scholar, Justice Larsen taught for more than a decade at the University of Michigan where she received the L. Hart Wright Award for Excellence in Teaching. She continues to assist the law school as the adviser to the Henry M. Campbell Moot Court Competition.

Justice Larsen graduated first in her class from Northwestern University School of Law, where she served as articles editor of the *Northwestern University Law Review*. At Northwestern, she earned the John Paul Stevens Award for Academic Excellence, the Lowden-Wigmore Prize for the best student note published in the *Law Review*, and the Raoul Berger Prize for the best senior research paper.

After graduation, Justice Larsen clerked for the Hon. David B. Sentelle of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and for Justice Antonin Scalia of the U.S. Supreme Court. Following her clerkships, she joined Sidley & Austin's Washington, D.C., office, where she was a member of the Constitutional, Criminal, and Civil Litigation Section.

Before coming to Michigan in 1998, she was a visiting assistant professor at Northwestern. She later served as deputy assistant attorney general in the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Legal Counsel, where she provided advice to the White House, the attorney general, and government agencies regarding constitutional and statutory law.

While at the University of Michigan Law School, Justice Larsen's research and teaching interests included constitutional law, criminal procedure, statutory interpretation and presidential power.

Justice Larsen is married to Adam Pritchard, a professor at the University of Michigan Law School. They live in Scio Township and have two children who attend Dexter Community Schools.

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# RESULTS OF SPECIAL ELECTION 2015

## PRIMARY ELECTION NOVEMBER 3, 2015

House District Number	Democratic Candidates	Republican Candidates
75 <sup>1</sup>	<i>David LaGrand</i> Michael B. Scruggs	<i>Blake Edmonds</i>
80 <sup>2</sup>	<i>David Gernant</i>	Eric DeWitt Cindy Gamrat* Bill Sage James A. Siver Jim Storey Shannon Szukala Kevin Travis <i>Mary Whiteford</i>
82 <sup>3</sup>	D. R. Bohm <i>Margaret Guerrero DeLuca</i> Eric Johnson	Russell Adams Todd Courser* Jake Davison James L. Dewilde Rick Guerrero Jr. <i>Gary Howell</i> Ian Kempf Allen J. Landosky Jan Peabody Sharna Cramer Smith Chris Tuski

<sup>1</sup> Brandon Dillon resigned effective August 3, 2015, creating a vacancy in House District 75.  
<sup>2</sup> Cindy Gamrat was expelled pursuant to House Resolution 141 effective September 11, 2015, creating a vacancy in House District 80.  
<sup>3</sup> Todd Courser resigned effective September 11, 2015, creating a vacancy in House District 82.  
 \* Former member of State Legislature.  
*Italics* is winner of primary election.

# RESULTS OF SPECIAL ELECTION GENERAL ELECTION MARCH 8, 2016

House District Number	Democratic Candidate	Republican Candidate	Other General Election Candidates
75 <sup>1</sup>	<b>David LaGrand</b>	Blake Edmonds	
80 <sup>2</sup>	David Gernant	<b>Mary Whiteford</b>	Amie Davidsons (Libertarian)
82 <sup>3</sup>	Margaret Guerrero DeLuca	<b>Gary Howell</b>	Tracy Spilker (Libertarian)

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<sup>3</sup> Todd Courser resigned effective September 11, 2015, creating a vacancy in House District 82.

**Bold** indicates winner of general election.

